

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) An electric mail sending apparatus, comprising:

editing means for composing and editing a text of an electric mail;

an attribute table storing a display form defined based on a terminal model name;

accepting means for accepting a receiver's terminal model name that is input by a user;

reading means connected to the attribute table and the accepting means for reading the display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name from the attribute table;

display means connected to the editing means and the reading means for displaying the electric mail text based on the display form read from the attribute table; and

sending means connected to the editing means for sending the composed electric mail.

2. (Original) The electric mail sending apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the attribute table stores a number of lines that is displayable on a display screen of a receiver's terminal and a number of characters per line,

the reading means includes number-of-character reading means for reading the number of lines that is displayable on the display screen of the receiver's terminal and the number of characters per line, and

the display means includes means connected to the editing means and the number-of-character reading means for displaying the electric mail text based on the displayable number of lines and the number of characters per line that are read from the attribute table.

3. (Original) The electric mail sending apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the display means displays copy data of the electric mail text based on the display form read from the attribute table.

4. (Original) An electric mail composing method for use in an electric mail composing apparatus including an attribute table storing a display form defined based on a terminal model name and a display portion for displaying an electric mail text, comprising the steps of:

accepting an electric mail text composed or edited by a user;

accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user;

reading a display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name from the attribute table; and

displaying the electric mail text on the display portion based on the display form read from the attribute table.

5. (Original) The electric mail composing method according to claim 4, wherein the attribute table stores a number of lines that is displayable on a display screen of a receiver's terminal and a number of characters per line,

the reading step includes the step of reading the number of lines that is displayable on the display screen of the receiver's terminal and the number of characters per line, and

the displaying step includes the step of displaying the electric mail text on the display portion based on the displayable number of lines and the number of characters per line that are read from the attribute table.

6. (Original) The electric mail composing method according to claim 4, wherein the displaying step includes the step of displaying copy data of the electric mail text on the display portion based on the display form read from the attribute table.

7. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium having an electric mail composing program recorded thereon, wherein the electric mail composing program causes a computer to execute the steps of:

accepting an electric mail text composed or edited by a user;

accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user; and

displaying the electric mail text on a display portion based on a display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name.

8. (Original) The computer-readable recording medium according to claim 7, wherein the displaying step includes the step of displaying the electric mail text on the display portion based on the displayable number of lines and the number of characters per line that is displayable on the display screen.

9. (Original) The computer-readable recording medium according to claim 7, wherein the displaying step includes the step of displaying copy data of the electric mail text on

the display portion based on the display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name.

10. (New) An electric mail sending apparatus, comprising:
an editing device for composing and editing a text of an electric mail;
an attribute table storing a display form defined based on a terminal model name;
an accepting device for accepting a receiver's terminal model name that is input by a user;
a reader connected to the attribute table and the accepting device for reading the display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name from the attribute table;
a display connected to the editing device and the reader for displaying the electric mail text based on the display form read from the attribute table; and
a sending device connected to the editing device for sending the composed electric mail;
wherein the electric mail text based on the display form is displayed on the display of the electric mail sending apparatus before the electric mail is sent by the sending device to the receiver's terminal.

11. (New) An electric mail composing method for use in an electric mail composing apparatus including an attribute table storing a display form defined based on a terminal model name and a display portion of a sender's terminal for displaying an electric mail text, comprising:
accepting an electric mail text composed or edited by a user;
accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user;

reading a display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name from the attribute table;

displaying the electric mail text on the display portion based on the display form read from the attribute table; and

sending the electric mail text from the sender's terminal to the receiver's terminal after displaying the electric mail text on the display portion of the sender's terminal.

12. (New) A computer-readable recording medium having an electric mail composing program recorded thereon, wherein the electric mail composing program causes a computer to execute the steps of:

accepting an electric mail text composed or edited by a user;

accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user;

displaying the electric mail text on a display portion of the sender's terminal based on a display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name; and

sending the electric mail text from the sender's terminal to the receiver's terminal after displaying the electric mail text on the display portion of the sender's terminal.

13. (New) In a computer system having a sender terminal and a receiver terminal, a method comprising:

accepting an electric mail text composed or edited by a user of the sender's terminal;

accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user of sender's terminal;

displaying the electric mail text on a display of the sender's terminal based on a display form defined based on the receiver's terminal model name;

sending the electric mail text from the sender's terminal to the receiver's terminal; and
displaying the electric mail text on a display of the receiver's terminal.